

House Resolution No. 4544

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Cynthia Brinkley recently enhanced her already impressive record of accomplishment when she was selected to receive a 2007 Missourian Award by the American Heart Association; and

Whereas, Cynthia Brinkley is the president of AT&T Missouri, responsible for regulatory, legislative, governmental, and external affairs activities in Missouri, a position she has held since July 2002; and

Whereas, from 1999 through 2002, Cynthia Brinkley served as president of SBC Arkansas, and while in Arkansas, she was named Arkansas's Business Leader of the Year in 2002; and

Whereas, prior to her tenure in Arkansas, Cynthia Brinkley served as executive director-federal relations for SBC Communications, Inc., representing SBC and its subsidiaries in policy and legislative matters before Congress; and

Whereas, Cynthia Brinkley is very involved in civic affairs in the state, serving as a member of St. Louis Civic Progress and The Civic Council of Greater Kansas City, and she chairs the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra and the Hawthorn Foundation, and serves on the boards of The Backstoppers, the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Harris-Stowe State University, the Municipal Theater Association of St. Louis (The Muny), the St. Louis Variety Club, the Saint Louis Zoo, the United Way of Greater St. Louis, and Washington University; and

Whereas, a native of Milan, Missouri, Cynthia Brinkley holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a bachelor's degree in political science from Truman State University; and

Whereas, Missourian Awards nominees have made an outstanding contribution to the state or nation in the areas of civics, business, education, politics, or the arts by dedicating their lives to improving the quality of life in this state through diligent work and charitable ideals; and

Whereas, past Missourian Awards winners have included George Washington Carver, General Omar Bradley, Thomas Hart Benton, Walter Cronkite, President Harry S Truman, General John J. Pershing, Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton, and Walt Disney; and

Whereas, Missourian Awards have been presented annually for fourteen years by the American Heart Association to acknowledge the most accomplished citizens of the state of Missouri:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the well-deserved selection of Cynthia Brinkley for a 2007 Missourian Award from the American Heart Association; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to Cynthia Brinkley.

Offered by _____
Representative Rachel Storch
District No. 64

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4544, adopted August 23, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker